

Missouri Department of
MENTAL HEALTH

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I. Department of Mental Health Overview

The Department of Mental Health (DMH) annually serves more than 170,000 Missourians with mental illness, developmental disabilities, and substance use disorders. It is a safety net for the state's most vulnerable citizens and their families. Our primary populations include:

- **Adults with serious mental illness and children with severe emotional disorders**
- **People with developmental disabilities**
- **People with severe substance use disorders (SUDs).**

Community-based contract providers serve more than 95% of these individuals. Approximately 60% are Medicaid eligible. (With Medicaid expansion, this percentage will change substantially.)

MENTAL HEALTH COMMISSION

The seven-member Mental Health Commission appoints the DMH director with Senate confirmation. Commissioners serve as the principal policy advisers to the department. The Governor, with Senate confirmation, appoints commissioners to terms of varying lengths.

Commission member positions must include individuals who represent Missourians with mental illness, developmental disabilities, and substance use disorders, and who have expertise in general business matters (630.010 RSMO).

DMH MISSION (RSMO Chapter 630.020)

Prevention: Reduce the prevalence of mental disorders, developmental disabilities, and substance use disorders.

Treatment and Habilitation: Operate, fund, and license or certify modern treatment and habilitation programs provided in the least restrictive environment.

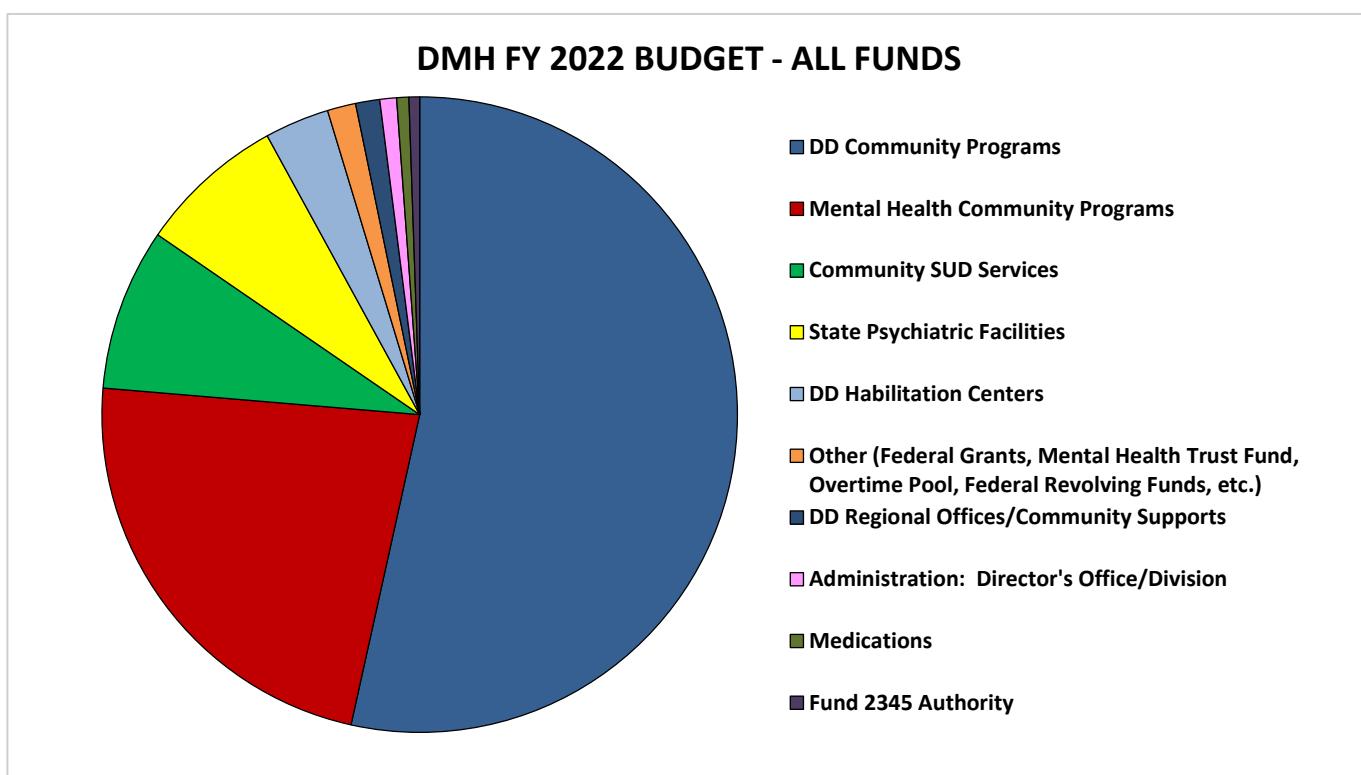
Improve Public Understanding: Improve public understanding and attitudes toward individuals with mental illness, developmental disabilities, and substance use disorders.

DMH DIVISIONS

- **Division of Behavioral Health (DBH) – RSMO Ch. 631 and RSMO Ch. 632**
(formerly the Divisions of Alcohol and Drug Abuse and Comprehensive Psychiatric Services)
- **Division of Developmental Disabilities (DD) – RSMO Ch. 633**
- **Division of Administrative Services**

III. FY 2022 DMH Budget by Program Category

Budget Category	Amount	% Total	FTE
DD Community Programs	\$1.489 billion	53.47%	25 FTE
Mental Health Community Programs	\$637 million	22.87%	31 FTE
Community SUD Services	\$229 million	8.24%	29 FTE
State Psychiatric Facilities	\$208 million	7.46%	3,717 FTE
DD Habilitation Centers	\$91 million	3.28%	2,443 FTE
Other (Federal Grants, Mental Health Trust Fund, Overtime Pool, Federal Revolving Funds, etc.)	\$40 million	1.45%	10 FTE
DD Regional Offices/Community Supports	\$34.1 million	1.23%	688 FTE
Administration: Director's Office/Divisions	\$24 million	0.85%	220 FTE
Medications	\$17 million	0.62%	0 FTE
Coronavirus Relief Fund Authority	\$15 million	0.54%	13 FTE
TOTALS	\$2.7841 billion	100.0%	7,176 FTE



- In FY 2022, the DMH budget was approximately 8% of the state's total operating budget.
- DMH generates \$304 million per year in reimbursements from Medicaid, Medicare, disproportionate share (DSH) payments and other third party payer sources.

- Approximately 61% of all DMH GR funding is used as state match for services funded through the Medicaid program.

DMH CONTRACTED SERVICES

- DMH contracts with more than 1,300 provider agencies employing 30,000 people statewide.
- Approximately 99% of the 170,000 individuals served by the Department of Mental Health receive their services through contracted community-based provider agencies.

STATE OPERATED SERVICES

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH	DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES
5 hospitals for adults 1 hospital for children	4 state-operated habilitation centers 2 community support agencies 1 crisis community support agency 5 regional offices, 6 satellite offices

State operated services in the Behavioral Health division include the Sex Offender Rehabilitation and Treatment Services (SORTS) program for sexually violent predators. The SORTS program is located at Southeast Missouri Mental Health Center in Farmington and at Fulton State Hospital.

III. Emerging Opportunities and Critical Issues

EMERGING OPPORTUNITIES	CRITICAL ISSUES
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Value Based Payment • Federal Investments (ARPA, CARES, Build Back Better) • Opioid Settlement Funds • House Mental Health Subcommittee • HB 14 Proposed Pay Plan • Workforce Recruitment & Investment • 988 begins July 2022 • Technology 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staffing Crisis/Access to Care • Avoiding Crisis for BH/DD Individuals • Crisis Continuum of Care • Preventing the DD Wait List • DD Community Provider Rate Corrective Action Plan • Opioid Death Crisis • DD Provider Rate Inequities • State Inpatient Facility Capacity • Uninsured Individuals Seeking Services • Transportation • Housing

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